PETITION

OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF OXFORD TO HIS EXCEL LENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, PRATTING THAT NO OFFICE FOR REGISTRAPHON PURPOSES BE ESTABLISHED IN THE SOUTH RIDING OF THE CONTY OF OXFORD.

Whereas it has been represented to your petitioners that it is in the contemplation of your Excellency to issue a Proclamation for the purpose of creating a Registry office for the South Riding of

the County of Oxford:

Your petitioners, therefore, would respectfully submit the following to your Excellency as reasons why the proposed change should not be made:-1st. That by the present division of the County of Oxford for Judicial and Municipal purposes, the Town of Woodstock is the County Town, and is as near the centre of the County as possible for the convenience of the entire County. 2nd. That Woodstock, as the County Town, is the place wherein are situated all the offices occupied by the several Judicial and Municipal Officers of the County. 3rd. That your petitioners are of opinion that much trouble, inconvenience, and un-Hecessary expense would devolve upon the inhabitants of the South Riding if a Registry Office was established in the same, from the fact that parties who might be making enquiry into questions affecting land titles, and almost all business required to be transacted at said office, would be put to the additional trouble and expense of going to Woodstock to complete their business by making the necessary searches which might require to be made at the offices of the Sheriff of the County and the County Treasurer.

Your petitioners also beg to represent to your Excellency that the sentiments contained in the above representation, are entertained by a great majority of the resident race-payers of the South Riding of this County; and this Council would respectfully urge your Excellency to withhold your assent the establishment of such Registry

Office.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

(Signed)

W. S. LIGHT. Warden.

DAVID WHITE, County Clerk.